

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1-33. (Canceled).

34. (Allowed) A method of producing an immunogenic composition comprising a virus or a virus antigen, wherein the method comprises:

a) providing a culture of VERO cells that have been grown in an animal protein free medium comprising soy hydrolysate at a concentration of about 0.05% (w/v) to about 1% (w/v) and yeast hydrolysate at a concentration of about 0.05% (w/v) to about 0.3% (w/v), wherein at least 90% of the hydrolysates have a molecular weight of less than or equal to 1000 Daltons;

b) infecting the cells with the virus;

c) incubating the infected cells to propagate the virus;

d) harvesting the virus or virus antigen produced; and

e) preparing an immunogenic composition from the harvested virus or virus antigen.

35. (Allowed) The method according to claim 34, wherein said harvested virus or virus antigen is subjected to purification.

36. (Allowed) The method according to claim 34, wherein the virus is selected from the group of orthomyxoviruses, paramyxoviruses, reoviruses, picornaviruses, flaviviruses, arenaviruses, herpesviruses, poxviruses, coronaviruses and adenoviruses.

37-49. (Canceled).

50. (Allowed) The method according to claim 34, wherein the harvested virus or virus antigen is purified by ion exchange or gel filtration.

51-66. (Canceled).